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For : ISOLATION OF FIVE NOVEL GENES CODING FOR NEW Fc
RECEPTORS-TYPE MELANOMA INVOLVED IN THE
PATHOGENESIS OF LYMPHOMA/MYELOMA

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Sir:

AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO JULY 31, 2003 OFFICE ACTION

This Amendment is submitted in response to the July 31, 2003 Office Action issued by the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above-identified application. A response to the July 31, 2003 Office Action is due on October 31, 2003. Accordingly, this Amendment is being timely filed.

Please amend the subject application as follows: